

UMHOLTZ MAKES HIS RETURNS

Edmond Normal School En-
joyed Prosperous Year

REDUCED IN GRADE

Those Who Failed in Studies
Take Lower Class

Edmond, O. T., July 4.—The following is the report of the president of the Edmond normal school for the past year: "The territorial normal school, Edmond, O. T., June 30.—The Honorable Board of Education for Normal Schools of Oklahoma. Gentlemen:—The results of this year's work of the territorial normal school at Edmond are most gratifying, not only in attendance but in the work accomplished by both teachers and students. A special effort was made to bring out the best work possible on the part of the individual students. Those who failed to make proper grades in their studies were placed in lower classes. About forty students were thus dropped at the close of the winter term. Several who, from lack of interest in their work, had failed to make any grades, were given to understand that they would not be readmitted to school. This has had an excellent effect upon the general tone of the school. During the spring term a little over 500, 000 being in the normal department.

The summer session began on June 8 with about 120 in attendance. The enrollment has now reached 164. The work of the summer session is in every way satisfactory. Never did a student body do work more earnestly and enthusiastically than do the students of this session, and already the request has come for a similar session next summer.

The entire enrollment for the year is 72. Of these 122 were in the training school. The average of the students is a little more than 19 years. It may be a matter of more than passing interest to the board to know that of the students in the normal school this year 19 held teachers certificates, 32 others were preparing to teach next year, 57 hold common school diplomas, 25 have other school diplomas, and 27 have attended some high school, college, university, or other normal school. It will be seen from the foregoing that the normal school is doing specifically the work that distinguishes normal schools from other institutions. It also means that about 20 schools of this territory will be taught next year by students who attended the normal school in the past year.

I am greatly in need of assistance in the office, and would respectfully renew my request at the last quarter, namely, that Miss Mittle Harris be employed as stenographer and secretary in the president's office. She has been doing the work for the past three months and is thoroughly familiar with the routine work of the office. I also call the attention of the board to the fact that there is a vacancy in the department of English, and to the fact that some action should be taken by the board in reference to Prof. Houser's return to work next September. It may be pertinent at this time to call the attention of the board to a law enacted by the last legislative assembly, requiring the normal schools of the territory to make provision, within a year, for giving kindergarten instruction. Some action ought, perhaps, to be taken at this time relative to this matter.

We are also without a auditor and custodian today. I wish to state further that it might be well for the board to fix a reasonable rental for the use of typewriters. These instruments are expensive, and an account of their constant use, require quite frequent repairs.

It is hardly necessary for me to call the attention of the board to the need of immediate action in reference to a new heating plant, and therefore meeting it only that, in the press of much other business, this matter may not be overlooked.

Thanking the board for its uniform courtesy, and for its responsiveness to all suggestions offered, I respectfully submit this report.

FREDERICK UMHOLTZ,
President.

ALLEGED HORSETHIEF TAKEN.

Wes Martin Was Arrested in the Seminole Nation.

Hobart, O. T., July 4.—Sheriff N. D. Morrison came in on the west bound train last evening with a prisoner, Wes Martin, who is charged with stealing horses east of Mountain Park on the night of June 12. Martin was arrested in the Seminole reservation by U. S. Marshal Bob Neider. Information received from Sheriff Morrison.

GUTHRIE HIS HOME.

J. J. Houston is Considering Several Business Propositions.

Guthrie, O. T., July 4.—J. J. Houston, the co-secretary of the school land leasing board, today stated that in all likelihood Guthrie will remain his home, as he is considering several business propositions that will keep him in this city. He returned to a residence here yesterday, and that any man would ask for in the business world.

Phil L. Wenner, the new secretary of the school land board, will retain his place as secretary of the Oklahoma World's Fair commission for a month, at least, until matters of importance now in progress in connection with the board's work may be disposed of. He will also continue the editorship of the *Kinsfolk Free Press*, but will bring his family to Guthrie to live.

BAG WORM AT WORK.

Diligent Must Suffer Because of Neglect of Infest.

Shawnee, O. T., July 4.—The Democrat says: "An every intelligent person knew would happen and as some with little intelligence and less consideration for the community knew, the bag worms are busy at work on the leaves of shade trees in a hundred places in the city," said a well known business man yesterday. "In many places these insects will spread from trees where the parties made no effort to clean the trees of the worms to trees belonging to enterprising citizens who did everything in their power to insure themselves and the city's beautiful shade trees."

"There are cases in this city where

non-resident property owners are renting property at \$45 a month and utterly refuse to spend a dollar to remove these insects from the trees or to plant the little plot of ground to grass. Such a house should be declared unsanitary and closed until the owner would show more consideration for the welfare of tenants and city and does a chigger or mosquito.

"These shameless landlords should be compelled to give a little something in return for the amazing rents obtained. They owe something to the city and the city should exact it. If they do not plant grass on the grounds and plant shade trees, the city should have grounds in grass. Tenants will take reasonable care of lawns and trees if they find them in fair condition. Tenants care for trees and lawns in other cities and they will do so here is given a decent chance.

"It is an outrage on the people who want to live in the trouble to remove the worms last fall winter to have all that work come to naught because some shameless creature owns adjoining property and will not spend two or three dollars to insure against the ravages of these pests.

"The people are still able to collect their rent but some day bigger rents and better tenants can be obtained by the person who has some consideration for the welfare of the citizens of the city. Appeals to the fairness of these people will do no good. They must be forced to do their duty. Let the officers of this work and charge expenses to the property owner."

TEMPORARY DEPOT.

When Permanent Station is Ready the Structure Will Be Moved.

Shawnee, O. T., July 4.—Grading commenced yesterday at the foot of Main street for the temporary passenger depot to be erected by the Santa Fe and its completion will be pushed as speedily as possible.

The temporary passenger and freight depot, both to be built by the bridge and building department of the Santa Fe, and Mr. McLeod, of Chicago, who has the contract for the passenger depot has sub let it to Mr. Shetler, of Oklahoma City, who is bound to have the structure completed by November 15.

The temporary passenger depot will be 150x75 feet in dimensions and when the foundation is completed the temporary structure will be moved away to Meeker for use at that place. A large force of men was at work all day yesterday laying switches and getting things in shape for the potato traffic.

CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

Accused of Victimiting a Bank and Forgery Warrants.

Guthrie, O. T., July 4.—J. W. Boner, alias C. B. Baker, together with several other aliases, was arrested here today by Sheriff Carpenter, charged with forgery. It is claimed that he victimized the Guthrie National Bank and W. P. Eager for \$150 each and is also wanted in Garfield county for the alleged forgery of over \$500 worth of warrants. He has been teaching school near Columbia, in Kingfisher county, and comes of a highly respected family. He owns two fine farms in the northwest part of the county, where his young wife and two children live.

CONDEMNED 600 GALLONS.

F. A. Ashton is Rigorously Inspecting the Oil.

Guthrie, O. T., July 4.—F. A. Ashton, territorial oil inspector, returned to this city today from his first inspecting trip since the new law went into effect on July 1. He has condemned 300 gallons of oil and gasoline, shipped in by Kansas City companies, that failed to stand the required test. In all he condemned 600 gallons on this trip. Such rigid inspection, he believes, will soon result in all good oil in Oklahoma.

ACCEPTS AN INVITATION.

Governor Ferguson Will Speak at Medford Next Tuesday.

Guthrie, O. T., July 4.—Governor Ferguson has accepted an invitation to speak at Medford, on next Tuesday, at the request of the Co-Operative Farmers' association meeting. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Ferguson.

MINISTERS' INSTITUTE.

First Session Will Be Held Next Week.

Blackwell, O. T., July 4.—The first session of the Oklahoma Baptist Ministers' institute will be held in this city July 13 to 15. In their announcement of the institute the officials state that the institute work proper is of course, for ministers, but that the laity and women will be open to all. On a program they announce Dr. P. W. Cannel, president of the Kansas City Baptist theological seminary, who will be present and lecture on the "Ideal Sermon," giving examples of sermonizing and lessons in criticism and analysis of sermons.

Dr. R. R. Womack, bible lecturer in the summer school of Baylor University, Texas, will present the doctrine of the Atonement, or work of Christ, and will lead in a direct study of the Bible.

Dr. W. A. Jarrell, of Dallas, Texas, will lecture on "Church History."

Rev. H. R. East, of Winfield, Kansas, will direct the studies on "The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Their Scope and Significance."

Also such Oklahomans as Anderson, Munger, Marks, Stone, Schlemmer, and others, have promised to be present and help on the program or otherwise contribute to the success of the institute.

It is the hope of the local committee that every Baptist minister in Oklahoma may attend, as they have been promised for all who may come. It should be the best ministerial meeting of Baptists ever held in the territory. The institute will be held in the college building while the other meetings will be held in the church.

STABBED BY A NEIGHBOR.

Quarrel Arose and the Man Used His Knife.

Mountain View, O. T., July 4.—The Progress says that H. A. Lamberson has received word that his brother-in-law, Charles Crosswhite, who lives on a claim six miles east and seven miles west of Mountain View, was seriously stabbed by a neighbor named Porter. He left immediately for the scene of the affray accompanied by Dr. Burns.

Details are meager but so far as can be learned are as follows: Porter and Crosswhite lived on adjoining farms and have always been friendly neighbors. Porter went to where Crosswhite was at work in the field and asked him to retract certain words, a part of an alleged conversation between them a few days previous, which he had repeated to some neighbors. The words concerned these neighbors and they had gone to Porter for an explanation.

Crosswhite refused the request and in the quarrel that followed Porter stabbed him with a pocket knife which was in his hand, inflicting a wound in the left side, piercing the lung just below the heart. Porter was arrested and taken to Hobart.

IN JAIL AT GUTHRIE.

Matt Brown Claims He is Much Persecuted.

Wankom, O. T., July 4.—Friday U. S. Deputy James Baxter brought Matt Brown before Commissioner Campbell, who committed him to the federal jail at Guthrie until the next term of court for the southern district of the Indian Territory. In December, 1902, Brown was indicted on a charge of embezzlement and was arrested at Enid as a refugee from justice. He had been working the past few months on the Enid and Gulf construction gang. He says that in 1902 he owed Dr. Sullivan \$1 and sold him a calf to square the account. The doctor never took the calf and Brown desiring

EXPLORERS COVER THE CIMARRON

Both Parties Have Pushed
Their Survey

WILL WORK ALL SUMMER

Wells Are All Examined and
Records Kept

Guyman, O. T., July 4.—The party which left Norman, O. T., June 8 for the purpose of making a preliminary geological and hydrographical survey of the upper valleys of the Cimarron and North and South Canadian rivers has carried its work as far west as Point Rocks on the Cimarron in southwestern Kansas, and Guyman, Beaver county, O. T., on the North Canadian, or more properly, Beaver creek. The work has been carried on in two divisions, one division going up Beaver creek, the other up the Cimarron river. Each tributary of these streams with the exception of Crooked creek, has been carefully studied in regard to its supply and quality of water and the geological structure along its course. Most of the streams have been already utilized but nothing has been done with the overflow.

The wells of the region have been carefully examined and records taken at least fifty. They vary greatly. The supply of water is apparently inexhaustible in all the wells above the red-bedded clay and shales of central and western Oklahoma. It is not improbable that the supply of water for irrigating more of the western uplands must be pumped from the wells. There seems to be an everlasting supply of wind and water with thousands of acres of land so level that it would need but little preparation to put it under ditch.

Twelve samples of water have been secured for analysis by the government chemists at Norman. Dr. Barr, professor of chemistry in the university of Oklahoma, has charge of this work. He is assisted by Mr. E. E. Gridley. Most of the water has been taken from creeks. Some of it, however, has been secured from deep wells and springs.

The only indications of artesian water which have been found up to date are in the neighborhood of Richfield, Kan. It is more than likely that good flows could be struck in almost every river valley in southwestern Kansas. The depth is somewhere near 600 feet, but the quality is poor.

The party consists of Prof. Chas. N. Gould and his assistants, Prince Larkin, Chas. A. Long, C. A. Reed and G. T. Kirk. They will push their work to the head waters of the two rivers they are at work on at present and will come back down the South Canadian. It is expected that it will take the entire summer to complete the survey.

KILLED BY THE CARS.

People Are Satisfied That Death Was an Accident.

Columbus, O. T., July 4.—The mystery surrounding the death of L. J. Lamb has engrossed the attention of our people for the past few days. Thorough investigation has been made and the case is now closed by all that the unfortunate man was killed by the cars. Mr. Lamb was a man of exemplary habits and was well thought of by all who knew him.

THREATENING CLOUDS.

Elements Reared but Did No Mischief at Blackwell.

Blackwell, O. T., July 4.—The black threatening cloud that appeared last night in the northwest, that sent sheets of wind, lightning and heavy peals of thunder, looked very much as if a storm was going to burst over the city. But the elements satisfied themselves by a copious rain and a threatening attitude. The roaring sound however that came from the north-west seemed as if damage was being done in that direction.

BITTEN BY A POLECAT.

Result Is That Child Dies of Hydrophobia.

Ardmore, I. T., July 4.—A 6-year-old boy whose parents are named Robbins, and who lives near Guthrie, Okla., died of hydrophobia. About forty days ago the boy and a little brother were both bitten by a polecat. A mad stone was applied and failed to adhere. The boy died in great agony and the case attracted considerable attention. The other child has shown no symptoms of the disease.

KILLED INSTANTLY.

Lad Fell Out of the Wagon and Under the Wheels.

Custer, O. T., July 4.—Last Saturday as Mr. and Mrs. George Duckworth, who live near Guy, were on their way to town in a wagon their little boy fell out of the wagon and the wheels ran over him killing him instantly. The little fellow was standing against the front gate of the wagon when it dropped into a gully and pitched him out, the wagon passing over his body.

FIRST WHEAT CROP.

New Country is Proud of a Fine Quality.

Apache, O. T., July 4.—The first wheat crop of this part of the country is now being marketed in Apache. The acreage is large, the yield good and the test high. The farmers are feeling good and their feelings are fully shared in by the business men and the town people. The wheat is all in the shock and some of it in the stack. Five threshing outfits have gone out from Apache and they are all kept busy taking care of the great wheat crop.

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SCHOOL BEGINS NEXT FALL.

Military Academy Will Start in at Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma City, O. T., July 4.—The Times-Journal says: Colonel Dunn, who will be the instructor in the Oklahoma Military academy, which is to be located in this city, has finished his plans in Chicago relative to the school and will return to Oklahoma City this week. Colonel Dunn has had a life-long experience with military schools and has been a leading disciplinarian in the East. According to his statement the school in this city will start up next fall with 100 students.

The plans for the structure have been finished by Hawk and Van Meter and bids have been asked for. It is expected that the contract for the construction of the building will be let July 6. It is the intention to begin work in order to have the building finished by the latter part of August. The structure for this season will be frame and only temporary, as it is the intention to erect a brick building next year to cost not less than \$25,000.

Quite a number of inquiries are being received from all over the country in regard to the opening of the school and the term and the prospects are considered exceedingly flattering.

STRIKES IT RICH.

Secretary Grimes Secures Some Valuable Zinc Land Leases.

Oklahoma City, O. T., July 4.—The Times-Journal says: Secretary William Grimes has struck it so rich in the zinc mines that the salary of secretary is a more bagatelle in comparison with the income he is likely to receive from that source.

A couple of years ago Mr. Grimes secured a lease on 600 acres of land in the Quapaw reservation which was supposed to be within the zinc belt. He began at once to put down test holes. More than 30 have been sunk. The evidence thus secured warranted him in putting money into shafts. Three shafts have been sunk to the ore level, and the richness of the strike is beyond all expectation. It is believed to be equal to the richest strikes in the Joplin district. The test holes indicate that an immense body of ore exists under the land leased, all of which is fully as rich as that struck in the Joplin.

It is impossible to tell how much the lease is worth, but conservative men familiar with the zinc field put the value of strike considerably in excess of a million dollars.

Mr. Grimes recently sold an interest to ex-Delaware Flynn, the two being sole owners. Some of the more enthusiastic reports put the strike at several million dollars.

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